Allied Leaders Mark NATO Anniversary

President Eisenhower poses with foreign leaders after a White House luncheon yesterday. Left to right, first row: Joseph M. A. H. Luns of the Netherlands, president of the North Atlantic Council; Eisenhower, and Paul-Henri Spaak of Belgium, secretary-general of NATO. Second row: Pierre Wigny, Belgium; George R. Pearkes, Canada; Maurice Couve de Murville, France, and Heinrich von Brentano, West Germany. Third row: Panayotis Canellopoulos, Greece; Hans G. Anderson, Iceland; Guiseppe Pella, Italy; Eugene Schaus, Luxembourg; and D. U. Stikker, Netherlands. Fourth row: Halvard Lange, Norway; Marcello Mathias, Portugal; Fatin Rustu Zorlu, Turkey; Selwyn Lloyd, Britain, and Christian Herter, United States. —(AP Photofax.)

Britain Stresses Agreement

All NATO United On Berlin Crisis

WASHINGTON (CP)—Britain was described by a NATO spokesman Thursday as standing firmly with the other Atlantic treaty nations in the Berlin crisis.

Britain's solid front stand was stressed by Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd at a closed session of the full 15-nation Atlantic Pact council a few hours after President Eisenhower addressed the opening 10th anniversary meeting.

Lloyd put Britain on record as viewing any plan for neutralizing or demilitarizing Germany as the worst possible solution of the German problem.

UNIFICATION GOAL

He also said Britain would not advocate any troop and arms freeze plan in central Europe unless it was linked with the goal of German reunification.

Lloyd's remarks at the afternoon session, the first of four such meetings, were relayed to reporters by the NATO spokesman. They were clearly aimed at dispelling reports that the British favored making more concessions to the Soviets than do the United States, France, West Germany and other Atlantic Pact partners.

WHO NEXT?

French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville was reported to have endorsed Lloyd's remarks, saying:

"If Berlin goes, who will go next?"

Couve de Murville also was reported to have stressed the importance of agreement on emergency military measures the Allies must be ready to invoke if need be to save West Berlin.

The NATO spokesman, E. E. Key, reiterated that he wanted to dispel talk about Allied differences.

"First of all," he said, "there is no disagreement, as was reported in the press, on this business of a peace treaty.

"It is not yet decided on whether a draft treaty will be presented or just a set of principles. But I think the main point to bear in mind is that whatever is presented would only of course be negotiated and signed eventually with a united Germany."

In Brief

NEW YORK — Luxury liner America docked 24 hours late yesterday after bucking 85-mile-an-hour gales, 40 to 50-foot waves and pea soup fog in a storm-lashed crossing described by the captain as the worst he had experienced in 45 years at sea.

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WINNIPEG—Faculty members of the University of Manitoba charge that United College board of regents was at fault for failing to settle the dispute between the board and history professor Harry Crowe.

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UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold said that in his recent private talks with Premier Khrushchev he found a "serious will to negotiate" and to "get somewhere" toward settlement of cold war problems.

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OTTAWA—Canadian Labor Congress calls Premier Smallwood's action in amending recent Newfoundland labor legislation a "retreat" in the face of widespread criticism.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon—United Arab Republic called on Arab League nations yesterday to join in an anti-Communist crusade throughout the Middle East.

'Queen' Is Man In Dry-Run Tour

OTTAWA (CP)—A dry run of this summer's royal tour of Canada starts next week.

Esmond Butler, the handsome Canadian who became the first person from outside the United Kingdom to be called to the Buckingham Palace staff, will play the role of the Queen.

His escort will be Lt.-Gen. Howard D. Graham, commissioner of the royal tour.

Mr. Butler, chosen just a year ago by the Queen as her assistant press secretary, arrives in Ottawa Sunday.

After talks Monday and Tuesday with Gen. Graham, he begins a whirlwind trip along the 12,000-mile route to be followed by Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip on their six-week coast-to-coast visit.

It was learned yesterday the dry run will take 10 days, after which Mr. Butler will return to London to advise the Queen of preparations that have been made and to receive any suggestions for changes.

A spokesman for the Royal Tour headquarters said there will not likely be an interim itinerary issued this week as expected earlier. Although changes in stopping places had been made since a preliminary itinerary was announced Jan. 20, it now was expected there would be no new itinerary until a complete program could be issued, perhaps in mid-May.

Labor Body Appeals To Save Chapman

VANCOUVER — The British Columbia Federation of Labor sent wires to **Justice Minister Davie Fulton** and **Solicitor General Leon Balcer** asking for clemency for **Robert Chapman**, 19, due to be hanged April 28 for the shotgun murder of his brother **John**, 23, last October.

Russian Forests Give B.C. Jitters

Pulp, Paper Dumping Economic Body Blow

VANCOUVER (CP)—Recent Russian forays into the world forest products market could push British Columbia's pulp and paper industry into the front lines of an economic war and the B.C. industry is watching the development with interest.

Officials feel that with a Russian push into this territory the local paper industry could be placed in a vulnerable position.

One unidentified executive here described Russia's trade tactics as "a weapon they can use against us and which could hurt us."

Carl O. Nickle, oilman and editor of the Daily Oil Bulletin, said Thursday Russia has approached the Canadian government with offers to deliver Iron Curtain oil to Eastern Canada refineries at prices underselling imports from the United States and South America.

So far Russia's ventures into forest products market have been isolated.

The B.C. local industry feels vulnerable to a Russian offensive because:

1. It has experienced a period of capital expansion and the result has been overcapacity which is not expected to be absorbed until the early 1960s;

2. Most pulp plants require heavy capital expenditure to construct and equip and fixed construction costs are high;

3. In a period of excess capacity and severe competition, Russian dumping of pulp and paper in strategic markets could disrupt the industry's price structure.

Britain's Royal Military College at Sandhurst in Surrey was founded in 1799.

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Descendant of Baron, Mrs. Lovatt Dies at 98

Funeral services for Louisa Marion Lovatt, 98, a resident of Victoria for 39 years, will be held at 1.30 p.m. Monday from Hayward's funeral home.

Mrs. Lovatt, who was born in 1861 in Surrey, England, died yesterday morning in St. Joseph's Hospital. She came to Victoria in 1920. She was a direct descendant of Baron Edward Thurlow, chancellor of England under William Pitt.

Mrs. Lovatt was the oldest member of Oak Bay United Church and of the Royal Society of St. George. She was also a life member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, of which she was a member for 68 years.

She is survived by a son, George, of Victoria; a granddaughter, Mrs. Ted Johnson of Port Credit, Ont.; two great-grandchildren; and five sisters in Surrey, England.

Weather in Fall Blamed for Slide

VANCOUVER (CP) — Highways Minister Gaglardi said Thursday the mud slide near Revelstoke which took four lives last Friday, was partly caused by the weather last fall.

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